GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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PRICES OF DRUGS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of life saving drugs manufactured by various companies and the prices fixed by the Government to check the rise in prices of these life saving drugs ;

(b) whether the Government`s attention has been drawn towards overcharging the prices of these drugs in the market ; and

(c) if so, the remedial steps being taken by the Government to monitor the marketing of life saving drugs ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a) to (c) : The Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1995 does not make anydistinction between Life Saving drugs and other drugs. In accordance with the provisions of the said Order, the Government fixes prices of the drugs listed in its First Schedule and formulations based thereon. In case, there is any violation of the approved/notified price of a Scheduled formulation, action is taken under the provisions of the DPCO`95.